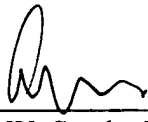


REMARKS

Claims 24-32, 34, and 38 were pending. The Examiner has indicated that claims 24-29 are in condition for allowance. Claims 30-32, 34, and 38 are canceled by this amendment, solely for the purposes of advancing prosecution. Applicant expressly reserves the right to pursue any claim or claims canceled by this amendment in a continuing application. No new subject matter is introduced.

The Examiner has indicated that claims 24-29 are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions, she is requested to call Applicants' representative at the number shown below.

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